

Final EIS was revised, where appropriate, based on public comment and review. Issues and potential consequences have remained identical from the draft to the final EIS.

C. Alternatives

Of the eight alternatives considered, two alternatives were evaluated in detail. Issuance of the permit with the mitigating, minimizing, and monitoring measures outlined in the CCDCP is the Service's preferred alternative and is discussed above. The Final EIS outlined alternative measures that were considered, but not in detail, by the Service. The other alternative selected for detailed evaluation was a No Action alternative. The No Action alternative would benefit individual desert tortoises on non-Federal lands in the short-term, however, it has been determined that viable populations of desert tortoises will not persist in the urban areas over the long-term. The No Action alternative would, therefore, not provide the benefits of the long-term recovery efforts for the desert tortoise identified in the CCDCP. The No Action alternative was not identified as the preferred alternative because it would diffuse existing regional conservation planning efforts for the desert tortoise and possibly concentrate activity on individual project needs, not meet the purpose and needs of the Applicants, and not provide the long-term benefits to the desert tortoise. Additionally, the No Action alternative could result in adverse impacts to the social environment within Clark County due to constraints on land-use activities that would impact the desert tortoise.

Dated: July 11, 1995.

Thomas Dwyer,

Deputy Regional Director.

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Notice of Availability; Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the Proposed Acquisition of Water Rights for Lahontan Valley Wetlands, Churchill County, Nevada

AGENCIES: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (lead agency); Nevada Division of Wildlife, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service, Naval Air Station—Fallon, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribes, and Churchill County (cooperating agencies).

ACTION: Notice of availability and public meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for water rights acquisition for the Lahontan Valley Wetlands, Churchill County, Nevada, is available for public review. Five alternatives are being considered, including the Proposed Action. Comments and suggestions are requested. This notice is being furnished pursuant to Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

DATES: Written comments are requested by September 20, 1995. An open-house workshop will be held on August 9, 1995, between 3 pm and 8 pm, at the Fallon Community Center. Fish and Wildlife Service representatives will be available to answer questions and explain the draft EIS at the workshop. Public hearings will be held on September 6, 1995 at 3 pm and at 7 pm to receive written and oral comments concerning the draft EIS.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to: Project Leader, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 1236, Fallon, NV 89407.

Copies of the draft EIS may be inspected at the following locations: Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, 1000 Auction Road, Fallon, NV 89406; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Refuge and Wildlife, 911 N.E. 11th Avenue, Portland, OR 97232; Churchill County Public Library, 553 South Maine St., Fallon, NV 89406; Nevada State Library and Archives, Reference Desk, 100 Stewart Street, Carson City, NV 89701; Reno Branch, Washoe County Public Library, 301 S. Center Street, Reno, NV 89501.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ron Anglin, Project Leader, or Gary Shellhorn, Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge, P.O. Box 1236, Fallon, NV 89407, (702) 423-5128.

Individuals desiring a copy of the draft EIS for review should immediately contact the above address. Copies have been sent to agencies and individuals who participated in the scoping process and to those people that later requested to be added to the mailing list.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Truckee-Carson-Pyramid Lake Water Rights Settlement Act, (Title II of Public Law 101-618), directs the Secretary of the Interior to acquire enough water and water rights to sustain, on a long-term average, approximately 25,000 acres of primary wetland habitat in the Lahontan Valley. As defined in Public Law 101-618, primary wetland habitat is wetland habitat is wetland lying within Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge,

Stillwater Wildlife Management Area, Carson Lake and Pasture, and Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Indian Reservation wetlands. The Service developed and analyzed four alternatives, including the Proposed Action, for securing up to 125,000 acre-feet (AF) of water for Lahontan Valley wetlands. A No Action Alternative was also developed and analyzed. The purpose of the Draft EIS is to analyze the potential consequences of the five alternatives being considered.

The five alternatives are: (1) No Action, which entails the acquisition of 20,000 AF of water rights from within the Carson Division of the Newlands Irrigation Project (Newlands Project); (2) Proposed Action, which proposes the acquisition of an additional 102,000 AF of water rights for a total of up to 122,000 AF of water rights; (3) Least Cost Alternative, which would result in the acquisition of up to 100,000 AF of water rights (including the initial 20,000 AF of acquisition); (4) Maximum Acquisition Alternative, which would result in up to 133,500 AF being acquired (which includes the initial 20,000 AF of acquisition); and (5) Minimum Acquisition Alternative, which would cap or limit Carson Division Newlands Project purchase acquisitions at 75,000 AF of water rights and would utilize a variety of other sources of water to meet the Fish and Wildlife Service's primary wetland habitat objective.

Under the Proposed Action, the Service proposes to acquire sufficient water and water rights to provide a total annual average of 125,000 AF of inflow to primary wetland areas to achieve the objective of sustaining 25,000 acres of primary wetland habitat in the Lahontan Valley. The amount acquired by the Service would supplement available drainwater, spills, water being acquired by the Service under earlier authorizations, and would incorporate water being acquired by the State of Nevada for Lahontan Valley wetland areas.

To meet the needed 125,000 AF of annual average wetland inflow, the Service would, under the Proposed Action, acquire up to 122,000 AF of water rights, which amounts to about 66 percent of the water rights that are in currently in private ownership in the Carson Division of the Newlands Project. In addition, approximately 13,000 AF of drainwater and 11,000 AF of spills would supplement inflows to the primary wetland habitats.

Purchase of water rights would be from willing sellers only. In addition, leasing, donations, and exchange of water rights would be utilized as opportunities arise.

The draft EIS evaluates the Proposed Action and other alternatives relative to their potential effects on: (1) Newlands Project operations and infrastructure; (2) water resources; (3) biological resources; (4) regional agriculture, farmlands, and the local economy; (5) regional recreation; (6) land use; and (7) social values. Estimated acquisition costs are also disclosed.

Dated: July 11, 1995.

Thomas Dwyer,

Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service.

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National Park Service

AGENCY: National Park Service, Interior.

ACTION: Public notice.

SUMMARY: Public notice is hereby given that the National Park Service proposes to extend the term of Concession Contract CC-CACO001-82 with the Town of Truro, authorizing continued operation of the Highland Golf Links facilities and services for the public at Cape Cod National Seashore, for a period of six (6) months from July 1, 1996, through December 31, 1996.

The National Park Service is in the process of revising the General Management Plan and preparing a Development Concept Plan. This extension will allow sufficient time to complete the planning for the Highland Golf Links. Upon completion, the National Park Service will develop a prospectus for a new contract.

No prospectus is available at this time. Further public notice will be given when a prospectus is to be issued.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before the sixtieth day following publication of this notice to the National Park Service, Northeast Field Area, New England System Support Office, Attention: Concessions Management Division, 15 State Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02109-3572.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynne Koser at the above address; telephone (617) 223-5209.

Dated: July 12, 1995.

Robert W. McIntosh,

Acting Deputy Field Director.

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Notice of the Intention To Extend an Existing Concession Contract—Scotty's Castle, Death Valley National Park

SUMMARY: Notice of given that the National Park Service intends to extend the concession contract at Scotty's Castle, Death Valley National Park for a period as long as three years so that necessary planning can be completed.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The concession contract at Scotty's Castle will expire on December 31, 1995, unless extended. The National Park Service will not renew this contract for an extended period until sufficient planning can be conducted to determine the future direction for concession services at the Scotty's Castle site. The necessary planning may affect the future of the concession. The planning process may take as long as two to three years to complete. Until that planning is completed, it will not be in the best interest of Death Valley National Park to enter into a long term concession contract for services at the Scotty's Castle site. For these reasons, it is the intention of the National Park Service to extend the current contract for a period of up to three years beginning January 1, 1996. The extension will be effective for a lesser period should planning issues be resolved and a renewal process be conducted and result in a selection. Benefits accruing to the Government under the current contract are currently under renegotiation.

Information about this notice can be sought from: Administrative Officer, Death Valley National Park, Attn: Ms. Marian O'Dea, Death Valley National Park, Death Valley, CA 92328, or call: (619) 786-2331.

Dated: July 11, 1995.

Stanley T. Albright,

Regional Director, Western Region.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

[Finance Docket No. 32631]

Alan W. Maples—Control Exemption—Holidaysburg and Roaring Spring Railroad Company

AGENCY: Interstate Commerce Commission.

ACTION: Notice of exemption.

SUMMARY: The Commission, under 49 U.S.C. 10505, exempts from the requirements of 49 U.S.C. 11343-45 the control by petitioner, Alan W. Maples, of Holidaysburg and Roaring Spring Railroad Company (HRS), a new class III

carrier. HRS became a carrier through its acquisition from Consolidated Rail Corporation of approximately 10.2 miles of rail line between Holidaysburg and Roaring Spring, PA in *Holidaysburg and Roaring Spring Railroad Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Consolidated Rail Corporation*, Finance Docket No. 32633 (ICC served Apr. 11, 1995). Petitioner currently controls the Everett Railroad Company, a class III rail carrier that connects with HRS. To avoid unlawful control by petitioner, HRS is being held in an independent voting trust pending Commission approval of this control transaction. The exemption is subject to standard labor protective conditions.

DATES: This exemption will be effective on August 20, 1995. Petitions for stay must be filed by August 7, 1995. Petitions to reopen must be filed by August 15, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Send pleadings referring to Finance Docket No. 32631 to: (1) Office of the Secretary, Case Control Branch, Interstate Commerce Commission, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, DC 20423; and (2) Petitioner's representative: Robert A. Wimbish, Rea, Cross & Auchincloss, 1920 N Street, N.W., Suite 420, Washington, D.C. 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Beryl Gordon, (202) 927-5610. [TDD for the hearing impaired: (202) 927-5721.]

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Additional information is contained in the Commission's decision. To purchase a copy of the full decision, write to, call, or pick up in person from: Dynamic Concepts, Inc., Interstate Commerce Commission Building, 1201 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 2229, Washington, DC 20423. Telephone: (202) 289-4357/4359. [Assistance for the hearing impaired is available through TDD services at (202) 927-5721.]

Decided: July 6, 1995.

By the Commission, Chairman Morgan, Vice Chairman Owen, and Commissioners Simmons and McDonald.

Vernon A. Williams,
Secretary.

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[Finance Docket No. 32692]

Southwest Pennsylvania Railroad Company—Acquisition and Operation Exemption—Lines of Consolidated Rail Corporation

Southwest Pennsylvania Railroad Company (SWP), a noncarrier, has filed